

Los Altos Hills Public Education Committee

Overview to joint LA/LAH
councils

May 3, 2005

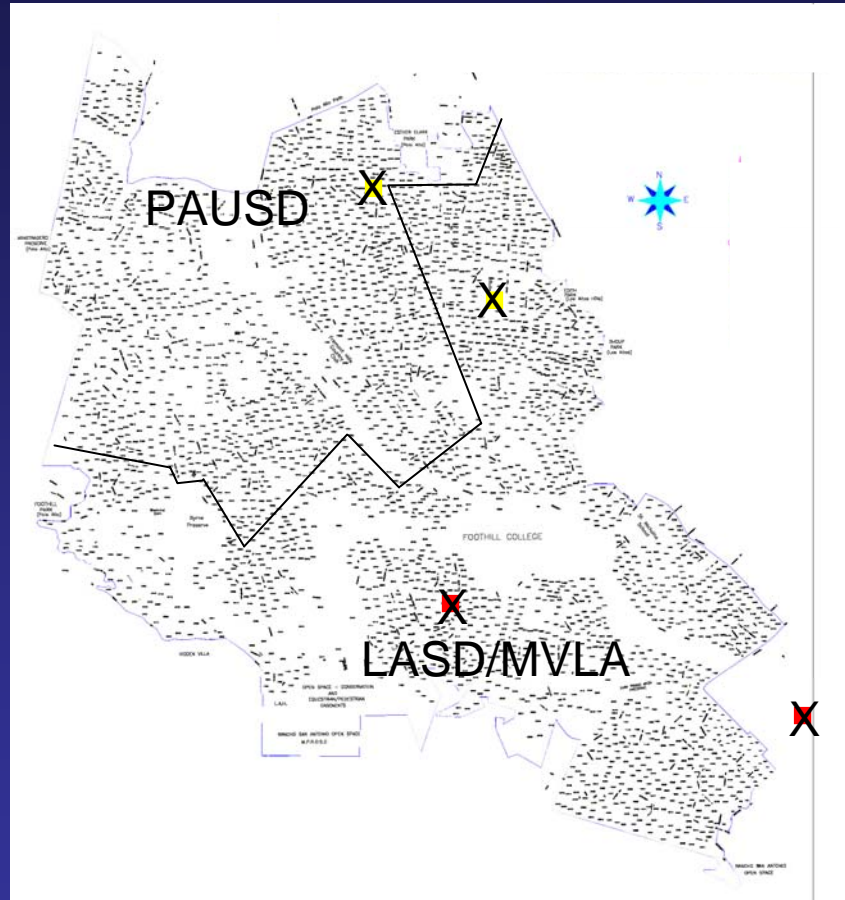


Why is the LAH council involved?

- Town is split between districts
- Citizens have no effective voice
- Citizens want the council involved
- Citizens elected council members based on LAH being involved



All LAH schools have been closed



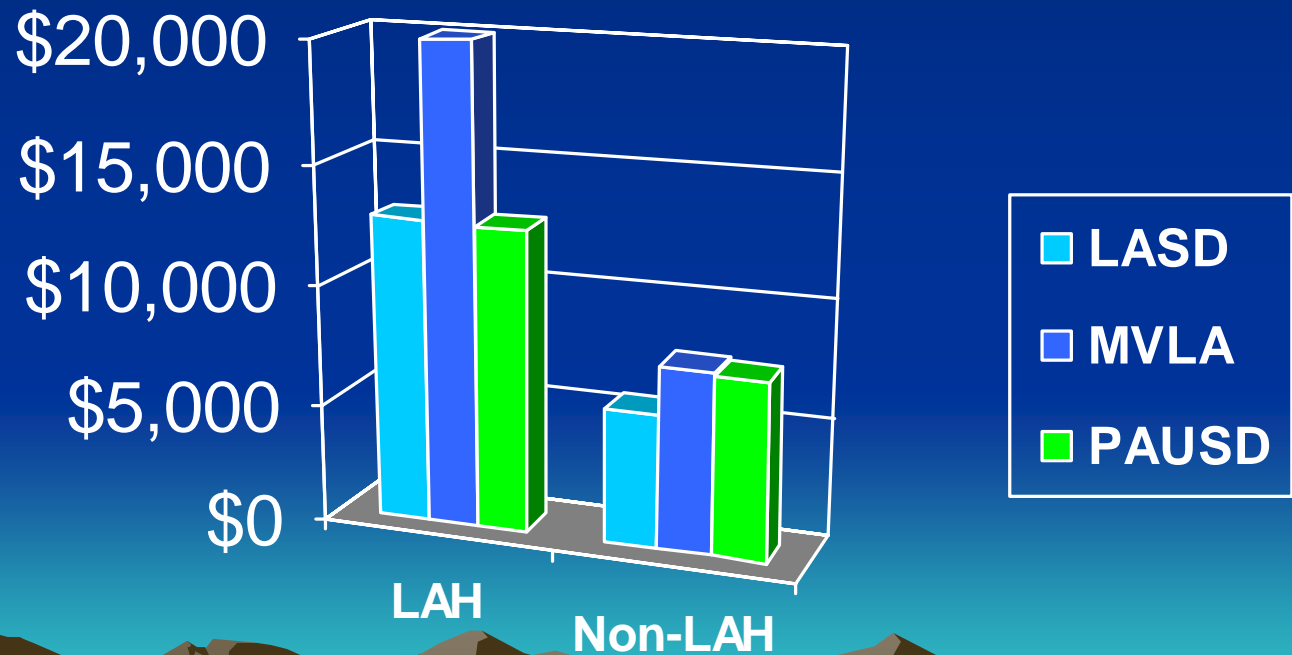
The PEC was created in Fall 2003

- Study the subject and survey the town
- Develop scenarios that would provide a neighborhood school within LAH
- Develop those which make the most economic and political sense
- Provide findings to the Town Council



LAH provides substantially more comparative revenues to districts

Total Taxes Paid Per Student



PEC's charge is to act objectively and carefully

- Public meetings *Mar 2004*
- Mail-in survey *Mar 2004*
- Godbe telephone survey *Oct 2004*
- History of public ed in LAH *Dec 2004*
- Active in LACF CPR *Oct 2004 – Mar 2005*



LASD Plans for Bullis-Purissima

As of 5/2/05

- Even with ~ 17 empty district classrooms elsewhere, LASD is planning to...
- add up to 6 extended-day K classes,
- expand the autistic program,
- rent the rest of B-P to private schools



LAH council needs to remain involved...

- Lack of any other effective voice
- LASD and PAUSD need to act jointly to treat the greater LAH as a discrete neighborhood OR...
- ...we need to change the map



Lack of Progress Leads to New Initiatives

- LAH citizens, PEC, and council are frustrated by the lack of movement by LASD and the treatment of BCS
- Community leaders (CPR) have tried to help
- LAH citizen interest in reorganizing (redistricting) is increasing
- Time is running out/has run out....



For your future consideration...

PEC documents are accessible on the LAH web site

- Public meetings *Feb-Mar 2004*

<http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/AgendaManager/uploads/town-news/1374.pdf>

- Presentation to LAH council *May 2004*

<http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/AgendaManager/uploads/town-news/1373.pdf>

- History of public education in LAH *Sep 2004*

<http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/AgendaManager/uploads/town-news/1402.pdf>

- Godbe telephone survey *Oct 2004*

<http://www.losaltoshills.ca.gov/AgendaManager/uploads/town-news/1419.pdf>

